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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

Open to ALL PARTIES, but influenced by NONE.

Mr. RIND,

THE due adminiſtration of juſtice being the chief foundation and bond of ſociety, I deem it, with ſome other of your correſpondents, the part of every individual to aſſiſt, as far as his capacity will permit, in removing any obſtacle which may impede its progreſſion. It is upon this principle I am engaged to offer to the public the following ſentiments: The formation of laws does not alone anſwer the end propoſed by the inſtitution of a legiſlature; it is alſo neceſſary that proviſion be made for their execution in the moſt expeditious manner. The many defects and imperfections in the preſent eſtabliſhment of the ſeveral courts, and the evils ariſing from the great delay of juſtice in this colony, call aloud for ſome remedy. To remove the effect, it is neceſſary to conſider the cauſe, which, as far as my judgment and experience will aſſiſt me, I find to ariſe from two principal points, 1ſt, the want of inclination, and, 2dly, the deficiency of abilities in the Judges of the ſeveral county courts. Conſideration being had of what a Judge ought to be, and what our Judges are and muſt be, according to the preſent mode of appointment, will, I hope, excuſe me from being thought either raſh or cenſorious. A perfect Judge ought to be a perſon of univerſal knowledge and diſtinguiſhed goodneſs, he is to conſider himſelf in his ſituation as a Magiſtrate not merely of his own proper right, but by virtue of a truſt, as a repreſentative of his Sovereign, a ſervant to the public, and devoted to the uſe and benefit of the people; he ſhould at all times be eaſy of acceſs, always ready and at leiſure to hear and receive the petitions and complaints preferred to him. This was the reaſon why, by the Jewiſh laws, the Judges were commanded to keep their ſeſſions and decide controverſies in the gates of their cities, that ſo juſtice might offer itſelf to all that went out or in, and none might find any difficulty in addreſſing for, or obtaining it. This is ſuch a one as my Lord Coke ſo emphatically ſtiles the LEX LOQUENS. Cicero and others ſeem to think a large and general acquaintance debaſes the authority of his character, and abates of that firmneſs and vigour which is neceſſary for the diſcharge of it. Now when we reflect how extenſive the juriſdiction of our county courts are, the leaſt that we can expect is, that the Judges ſhould be men of good principles, ſome learning, and competent knowledge of the laws of their country, and the practice of their courts. How much wanting the generality of them are in the two laſt requiſites is too commonly known and lamented, and will be acknowledged by all them who have a moderate ſhare of the firſt. And this muſt be the caſe, under the preſent regulation, until we are happy enough to have a dozen or twenty Gentlemen in each county, not only properly qualified, but willing to beſtow on the public the fruits of their youthful ſtudies *gratis*; a period that the moſt ſanguine cannot ſhortly expect to ſee. As long as the Judges are to ſerve without fee or reward, it would be imprudent to ſuppoſe they would attend buſineſs with that alacrity that a handſome annuity would engage them to. The multiplicity of their own affairs, or ſome other conſideration, will ever prevail in a great or leſs degree, and render them indifferent and negligent in the execution of their office. And, again, as long as they want abilities, it is natural to ſuppoſe buſineſs muſt be irkſome and diſagreeable, and very ſlow in its advances. From hence ſprings a ſource which is productive of much diſquiet and trouble. From hence ariſes thoſe many diſadvantages which often terminate in the ruin of one or other of the parties in ſtitigation. I would, therefore, propoſe that inſtead of the preſent number of Judges, three only ſhould be conſtituted to determine cauſes in each county, and they choſen and paid in the following manner: That the principal Judge of each court ſhould be firſt recommended, as to his honeſty and integrity, by the Juſtices of ſome county where he has lived, and been well known; that he ſhould then paſs an examination before good judges, as to his knowledge of the laws, &c. that after this he ſhould be appointed for four counties adjacent to each other; that two of the moſt able perſons in each county ſhould be commiſſioned with him as Judges, to be alſo recommended by the Juſtices of their reſpective counties, any two of which to make a court; that they ſhould ſit quarterly, to try all cauſes that are brought to iſſue, which may be done by the Juſtices of the county monthly; that the principal Judge ſhould receive a ſalary of 50l. from each county, and his aſſiſtants each 25l. *per annum*; and in caſe any of them ſhould be abſent, the ſalary to go, for that time, in proportion to them preſent. Then may we expect that juſtice will flouriſh, and, in an uninterrupted courſe of proceedings, adminiſter her bleſſings to the injured and oppreſſed, and intimidate or puniſh the wrong doer. If we ſearch into the reverend records of antiquity, we find a reſemblance of ſuch an inſtitution, even ſo far back as Moſes, who, in his diſpenſations of juſtice to the people (the multiplicity of buſineſs preventing his immediate cognizance of every matter) choſe a certain number of wiſe men to ſerve on common and ordinary occaſions, but reſerved the determination of the more difficult points to his own more mature deciſion. To obviate the ſuggeſtions I foreſee will be raiſed againſt me, in regard to the ſalary, I need only repeat the far more diſagreeable expences attending the preſent dilatory proceedings of the courts; but I will go a little farther, and ſay it might be made more eaſy, by deducting ſuch a part from the well known, unequal, and exorbitant fees of the Secretary, and county court clerks.

PHILO JUSTITIÆ.

THE CARD RETURNED.

NOTWITHSTANDING Col. Landon Carter has long ago conſidered that altercations or replications, pro and con, upon any ſubject, after it has been really ſubmitted to the judgment of the public, are, in ſome ſort, an inſult offered to that public, yet he cannot avoid begging that, through your paper, Mr. Rind, his moſt grateful compliments may be returned to the unknown James river planter, of the 17th of October laſt, for his kind confirmation of one of the Colonel's moſt principal arguments in his paper alluded to, by an inſtance not really known at the time of writing that paper, which he perſuades himſelf nothing but the *honeſty of a planter* could have communicated. For it is an indiſputable certainty that the Colonel endeavoured to demonſtrate that wherever a number of merchants ſhall reſort, an emulation muſt naturally ariſe among them, either from a depravity in the diſpoſitions of men, or from ſome fancied policy in trade (call it as you pleaſe) which as naturally produces ſtrange effects in the purchaſes of ſuch merchants. This ſeems to be ſo true a ſolution of the information given by the James river planter, that the Colonel really bluſhes, leſt the Gentleman, *whoever he be*, may have unhappily intended that ſome other deduction ſhould be made from it, not quite ſo evident to common ſenſe. But, apart from this, the Colonel importunes the planter *to crook his elbow*, and ſay that at the giving this information he never heard that the James river tobacco was firſt dried, then picked, reprized, and again inſpected; whilſt the Rappahannock tobacco was ſold wringing wet, as it was taken out of the water; for ſuch has been the fly inſinuation even from James river itſelf.

To JUNIUS.

I CONGRATULATE you, Sir, on the recovery of your wonted ſtile, though it has coſt you a fortnight. I compaſſionate your labour in the compoſition of your letters, and will communicate to you the ſecret of my fluency. Truth needs no ornament; and, in my opinion, what ſhe borrows of the pencil is deformity.

You brought a poſitive charge againſt me of corruption. I denied the charge, and called for your proofs. You replied with abuſe, and re-aſſerted your charge. I called again for proofs. You reply again with abuſe only, and drop your accuſation. In your fortnight's letter there is not one word upon the ſubject of my corruption.

I have no more to ſay, but to return thanks to you for your *condeſcenſion*, and to a *grateful* public, and *honeſt* Miniſtry for all the favours they have conferred upon me. The two latter, I am ſure, will never refuſe me any grace I ſhall ſolicit; and ſince you have been pleaſed to acknowledge that you told a deliberate lie in my favour, out of bounty, and as a charitable donation, why may I not expect that you will hereafter (if you do not forget you ever mentioned my name with diſreſpect) make the ſame acknowledgment for what you have ſaid to my prejudice? This ſecond recantation will perhaps be more abhorrent from your diſpoſition; but ſhould you decline it, you will only afford one more inſtance how much eaſier it is to be generous than juſt, and that men are ſometimes bountiful who are not honeſt.

At all events I am as well ſatisfied with your panegyric as Lord Chatham can be. Monument I ſhall have none; but over my grave it will be ſaid, in your own words, "*Horne's ſituation did not correſpond with his intention.*"

JOHN HORNE.

LONDON, *Auguſt* 27.

WE are told that the AMERICAN TEA BILL will be repealed. It is certainly not worth while for England to quarrel with her colonies for ſo trifling a revenue as is raiſed in conſequence of that act.

It is ſaid, in regard to the colonies, that all due obedience to the Mother country will be inſiſted on, and that, in return, every neceſſary aſſiſtance and protection will be afforded. The propoſal, in its literal ſenſe, is ſurely equitable; but if due obedience is meant to include an entire acquieſcence to arbitrary taxations, it will undoubtedly be rejected.

QUEBEC, *October* 10.

On Thurſday the 26th of September laſt, between the hours of four and five in the evening, happened the following extraordinary accident, viz.

Upon the arrival of a young man in a caleche, at one Joſeph Renaud's door, in the parish of St. Peter's, South River, the earth opened, ſwallowed up, and buried him under its maſs, together with the carriage, and two horſes. There were in the houſe a woman, two girls, and a young lad; the latter perceiving this extraordinary accident, cried out *let us ſave ourſelves*, at the ſame time going out of the houſe to make his eſcape, when he ſaw the earth again opening about 13 feet wide, which obliged him to retire, but the woman, who likewiſe endeavoured to ſave herſelf, was ſwallowed up; the lad was returning into the houſe, where the girls had remained in the greateſt conſternation and fright, when all on a ſudden it fell down, was carried about the diſtance of an acre and an half from where it ſtood, and buried in the river, under an enormous maſs of land, which prevents any part of its being ſeen except the end of one of the rafters; notwithſtanding, the lad was only found up to the ſhoulders in the earth, and whoſe doleful cries brought ſome people to his aſſiſtance, who had almoſt dug him out, when the barn, which was at a greater diſtance than the houſe, fell, and was likewiſe ſwallowed up in the abyſs: This obliged the people to leave the lad, who continued to call for their aſſiſtance; and a little time after, notwithſtanding the danger, they returned and ſaved him.

The immerſion has formed a bank at leaſt three acres broad, the height of which exceeds the ſhore by about 15 feet; it has ſhut up the channel of the river in ſuch a manner, that the waters had not ceaſed to re-flow the 29th, and left it quite dry below the bank.

It is a difficult matter to diſcover the cauſe of ſo extraordinary a falling, as there was not the leaſt ſign of an earthquake, and as it was a hill, the declivity of which to the river was very gentle: Yet, as the land formed a ſmall creek, againſt which the waters ſtruck, and had cut a very deep channel therein, it is to be preſumed, that having, by degrees, waſhed away the earth, which is of a very ſoft clay, it had, in courſe of time, made a ſubterraneous paſſage; this appears the more probable, as in the place where the land ſunk, there appeared a deep pit about 60 feet perpendicular.

It is to be obſerved, that ſome days before this accident, the chimney ſeemed to the maſter of the houſe to have ſunk, and a few ſtones had fallen down.

On the whole, we leave to the conſideration of perſons of better judgment, to give ſome more natural reaſons for the above fatal event.

BOSTON, *October* 24.

We hear that Captain Preſton, who was lately juſtified *by the laws of his country* for *killing* ſome *rioters* on the 5th of March, 1770, has had a ſtill farther compenſation from his Sovereign for his ſervices. It is ſaid that the King, ever willing to reward thoſe who promote the *intereſt* of the Crown, has conferred on this Captain 500l. ſterling to recruit him in what he expended, and alſo a *penſion* of 200l. per annum. "*Vengeance is mine, ſaith the Lord, I will repay.*"

It has been currently reported ſince the arrival of Captain Hall from London, that the Governor of this province has received a freſh order from Lord Hillſborough, peremptorily to inſiſt upon a former inſtruction, requiring him not to give his aſſent to any tax bill, and ſome ſay, any bill at all, until the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms are exempted from paying a certain proportion for the ſupport of this government.

By a perſon lately arrived from Jamaica we learn, that his Majeſty's ſhips of war on that ſtation had *all* ſailed to the Spaniſh main, the deſign is a profound ſecret, and cauſes much ſpeculation there.

NEW-YORK, *October* 31.

Extract of a letter from Kingſton, in Jamaica, September 16, 1771.

"Sept. 3d. This morning about 8 o'clock we had a moſt dreadful and terrible earthquake, which laſted about one minute: Had it continued half that time longer every houſe in this city muſt have been levelled to the ground. The ſhock was ſo ſevere that it was with much difficulty people could keep their feet. The general terror among the inhabitants can better be conceived than expreſſed; every one being in dreadful expectation of immediate death. It pleaſed God, however, to ſpare us, and in his judgments to remember mercy. My houſe rocked like a cradle, and I fully expected it muſt have rent aſunder. Think, my friend, what muſt have been the ſituation of my mind on this occaſion! To ſee my wife and family flying frantic and wild, ſeeking protection from me. Good God! I would not paſs ſuch another minute though to purchaſe millions of worlds! About half an hour after we had another ſhock, though not ſo violent, and between nine and ten at night another ſomething harder than the laſt. The next day there was no leſs than five ſhocks more, and between that time and the date of this letter, ſcarce a ſingle day has paſſed without our feeling this dreadful convulſion of nature, and ſtill this city is preſerved as a monument of God's mercy and goodneſs. The late earthquake at Hiſpaniola being called to our minds afreſh, you may well imagine added much to our apprehenſions."

LONDON, *September* 10.

LORD Holland, it has been diſcovered, has bought upwards of 100,000l. in the 3 per cents. within this fortnight. This manœuvre, as it was carried on in the names of his Lordſhip's two brokers, kept up the price of thoſe funds; the wiſeacres at Jonathan's concluded that all muſt be *peace*, by his Lordſhip buying ſo deeply. But the plain truth of the matter is, that Lord Holland is ſoon to pay more than 200,000l. to government, and he will pay them in *government ſtock*; and by this arch ſtroke of finance he will ſave at leaſt thirteen per cent. without cheating or defrauding government; for if government put the value of one hundred upon every hundred pounds *three per cents.* and his Lordſhip pays in kind, there can be no legal nor juſt exception againſt ſuch payment.

The Lord Mayor has received a letter from one of the Secretaries of State, which, we hear, gives an account of the examination at Portſmouth of the man lately ſent there, relating to the fire in the dock yard.

Yeſterday a perſon, who goes by the name of Captain S. whether in the militia or marines is uncertain, was taken into the cuſtody of the proper officer, charged, on the informations of Dudley, with being concerned in the late fire at Portſmouth.

Dudley, whoſe informations have made ſo much noiſe in the world, is the ſon of a Gentleman of a very genteel fortune in the weſt of England, and has received a very liberal education.

A certain noble defaulter has lately borrowed fifty thouſand pounds from a rich commoner, in order to make up his firſt payment.

The following article may be depended on as authentic: A widow (with 5 young children) reſiding at Dover, had a legacy left her about two months ago, of the value of one hundred pounds, in which an attorney was employed, and for which, though it was indiſputable, he conſcientiouſly brought her in a bill of 86l. 14s.

Sept. 12. All the regiments of horſe, dragoons and foot, being now arrived at their reſpective quarters, orders are ſent to the commanding officers of the regiments whoſe companies are deficient in number to compleat them forthwith.

On the eleventh inſtant arrived at the Iſle of Wight, the Harcourt Eaſt-Indiaman, Capt. Nathaniel Paul, from the Weſt coaſt of Sumatra, at which place he buried many men; the whole of his crew were down in fevers, inſomuch that he was obliged to have one hundred caffries, or blacks, to work his ſhip. She left England in Feb. 1770. The above fever was ſo infectious, that the healthy people would not attend on the ſick. The chief officer, Mr. Charles Ward, died of the fever, much lamented by Capt. Paul and the reſt of his officers and men. He had the ſhip waſhed with boiling vinegar every day.

At the Royal levee a few mornings ſince, a warm diſpute paſſed between two great Noblemen on the ſubject of the fire at Portſmouth, and they have been both reprimanded by a great perſonage for the ſame.

There is not a man converſant with naval affairs, but is certain that Portſmouth yard was burnt by deſign.

The courts of France and Spain, being conſcious they merit a chaſtiſement for this flagrant deed, are determined to throw the firſt ſtone, for which purpoſe every equipment is making, naval and military.

Wedneſday the Premier paid a viſit to the Duke of Grafton, (the late Premier) at his Grace's ſeat at Wakefield Lodge, in Northamptonſhire, where they had a long conference, whence it is conjectured that ſome momentous ſtate affair is on the carpet.

The Spaniards have built ſeveral forts on the Miſſiſippi, and uſe every artifice in their power to perſuade the Indians in our intereſt to come over to them.

Orders are ſent to Chatham for equipping a fleet of five ſhips immediately, three of which are to be of the line. Their deſtination is as yet a profound ſecret.

Yeſterday a packet was ſent off from the Admiralty office, to be forwarded with all expedition for Sir George Rodney, at Jamaica.

It is ſaid, that the office of Secretary of State for Scotland, which has lain dormant for near thirty years, will ſpeedily be revived, in order to provide for one of the favourite's friends, for whom it is not, at preſent, convenient to make a vacancy.

It is very confidently aſſerted, that a bill will be brought in next ſeſſion of Parliament, to lay a heavy duty on the importation of horſes; and another bill, laying a tax upon all ſaddle horſes kept for pleaſure, equal to what is now paid for keeping a chaiſe; which, it is preſumed, will enable the government to leſſen the duties on the neceſſaries of life.

By a Gentleman who arrived laſt Monday from Paris, we have advice, that the B— of S——h is ridiculed and laughed at in all public converſations in that city, for his weakneſs in ſhewing the French Ambaſſador, and other Frenchmen, the ſeveral dock yards, &c. which have enabled them to give a better account of the ſtate of our navy than the Engliſh themſelves can. He further ſays, that they have got a drawing of the late conflagration at Portſmouth dock yard, and another of the ſtate it was in the beginning of laſt July.

Sept. 14. On the 17th ult. a Daniſh frigate of war took and carried into Mahone harbour a French ſchooner, freighted by an Algerine; on board of which they took 20,000 dollars, and has alſo a very rich lading of ſilks, &c.

A noble Lord was lately exclaiming againſt his wife's incontinence, and inſiſted that a divorce was too light a puniſhment for ſuch an injury; a woman ought, continues he, with great vehemence and rage, to be hanged whenever ſhe is detected. True, my Lord, ſays the Counteſs D——nh—f, who was preſent, I think with your Lordſhip, as it is a *capital* offence, there ſhould be a capital puniſhment.

A veſſel lately arrived from Minorca brings advice that all the places of ſtrength in that iſland have received ſuch repairs as to render them almoſt impregnable; ſo that nothing but a want of proviſions (which it is hoped the Engliſh Miniſters will provide againſt) can hinder them from ſtanding out a long ſiege againſt the utmoſt efforts of any enemy.

The ſame veſſel alſo aſſures us that the Spaniards are fortifying both the iſland of Ivica and Majorca; at which laſt place they have lately built a number of barracks for receiving a large body of land forces from Old Spain, which are to be garriſoned there.

The Lord Mayor has received a letter from the Mayor of Briſtol, informing his Lordſhip that the man who pretends to be an acting perſon in ſetting Portſmouth dock on fire was at Briſtol, and tranſacted ſome buſineſs for a Gentleman in that place at the time he pretends to have been at Portſmouth.

The Northington Eaſt-Indiaman, lately arrived, hath brought over an Arabian poney extremely fierce and ravenous, valued at 3000 guineas, and the whelp of a wild tyger. In her paſſage ſhe met with a ſtorm, when both got looſe: The horſe killed one man, and devoured him, and tore out the bowels of another, before they could ſecure him again. The whelp got upon the gib-boom, where it ſat a conſiderable time, to the no ſmall terror of the ſhip's company. At laſt a ſailor ſwore if the Captain would give him 1cm he would fetch it down if it was the Devil. The promiſe given, up went the tar, and brought him down as gentle as a lamb. The whelp, it is ſuppoſed, had a ſtrong ſenſation of its danger, and expreſſes its gratitude to his kind preſerver, by permitting him to play with him with great familiarity, whilſt to every other perſon who approaches him he ſhews the ferocity of his nature.

A caution to the public. A great number of counterfeit moidores are now circulating; they are not intrinſically worth above 13s. but are well executed, and are very near the proper weight; they may, however, be diſtinguiſhed from the real ports being paler and thicker.

We have the pleaſure to inform the public that the Right Hon. the Earl of Chatham is in perfect health, at Boconnic, in Cornwall, on a viſit to his relation the Honourable Thomas Pitt.

Sept. 17. It is thought, from the cool enquiry into the Portſmouth buſineſs, the guilty perſons are not likely to undergo a fiery trial; and ſome great perſons are rather backward in meddling with this affair leſt they ſhould burn their fingers; and every method is deviſing to prevent Mr. Wilkes, whom the miniſterial tools call the incendiary, from ſtirring the coals, as they are apprehenſive it may ſet the whole nation in a flame.

It is ſaid that a certain great officer was wholly diſregarded the laſt levee day, notwithſtanding he made many efforts to attract obſervation, from which it is conjectured that this proſperous ſtar is ſet never to riſe again.

Lord Weſtmeath, lately ſtruck off the Privy Council in Ireland, is a Nugent, and a near relation to Lord Clare. The latter reſented the indignity offered to his kinſman, and it is ſaid that to qualify the affront he has been promiſed the Earldom mentioned in the papers a few days ago.

Should Lord North be called up by writ to the Houſe of Peers, as ſome of our prints have not improbably conjectured, the management of the Houſe of Commons will devolve on General Conway, who, when Secretary of State, proved himſelf fully equal to the arduous undertaking.

Yeſterday morning early the Earl of Rochford and Lord North ſet off for Richmond in a poſt chaiſe, where they had a long conference with his Majeſty, after which their Lordſhips returned to town immediately.

When their Lordſhips returned they went immediately to the Secretary's office at St. James's, where the French Charge des Affaires was in waiting, and ſome diſpatches were ſent off directly to Paris.

From the frequent and long conferences of the above Noblemen with a great Perſonage, it is conjectured that ſome matters of very great importance are upon the tapis.

We hear that the Parliament will meet for the diſpatch of buſineſs ſome time in November.

Laſt Saturday advice was received by expreſs from Paris, to a merchant of this city, that an account was brought there of the ſailing of two fleets, one from Breſt, and the other from Toulon; that they had taken on board proviſions for ſix months, but to what part they were bound was kept a profound ſecret. It further ſays that councils are daily held, and that Count de Guignes is preſent at all of them.

This morning [illegible] o'clock, the Earl of Rochford ſet off for Richmond in order to deliver his Majeſty the diſpatches arrived laſt night from Paris.

A letter from a gentleman at Dunkirk, to his friend in this town mentions, that an embarkation of troops was carrying on with great expedition at that place, and at the different ſeaports in France.

Laſt week Sir Robert Bernard and Col. Barre arrived in town from their travels; they have made the tour of Spain, Italy, and Portugal, where it is ſaid they have picked up ſome material intelligence.

Baron Van Haeck has diſcovered an ointment for the bottom of ſhips, which will preſerve them from the worms, and anſwers all the end of pitching; it has been tried at the dock yard, Portſmouth, and approved of.

An account from Reading dated September 14, ſays, Britain who has lately engaged the public attention, by acknowledging himſelf to be one of the incendiaries employed to burn Portſmouth dock yard, ſtill perſiſts in his former declaration, and ſeems greatly diſappointed that no order has yet been received for his removal to London: He denies having the leaſt knowledge of Dudley, and is quite ſilent relative to the particulars of the fire; though he ſometimes appears fond of giving a detail of the various ſcenes of villainy in which he has been engaged; among others he mentions having received a ſum of money in June 1770 (in conjunction with four more) to ſhoot his Majeſty in Hyde Park, which, he ſays, would actually have been effected, had not his piſtol miſſed fire. He is a well looking young fellow, and ſeems to poſſeſs a good underſtanding; but what credit is to be given to the above reports our readers muſt determine.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 31.

By Capt. Martin in the brig George, from Hiſpaniola, we have the following melancholy accounts: In lat. 23, 30, long. 59, 30, ſpoke Capt. Brown, in a brig bound from Virginia to the Mole, who ſuſtained great damage in a hurricane which happened on the 25th ult. ſhe had her maſts carried away, and had been laid upon her beam ends about 36 hours, her cables were waſhed from the ſteerage into the cabbin by a breach of the ſea, and her dead lights drove out; the Captain and the company were fifteen days without proviſions or water, except a ſmall piece of pork, which was luckily found in the ſteerage; and they were in a moſt perilous condition. A brig and a ſloop, both from the ſame place, came into the Mole diſmaſted. Two large ſchooners belonging to Salem were loſt among the Keys, and all on board periſhed; alſo a number of other veſſels, but all unknown. A veſſel arrrived there from St. Euſtatia, informed, that a great number of veſſels were likewiſe loſt on the Windward Iſlands.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 21.

This day PEYTON RANDOLPH, Eſq; was unanimouſly re-elected for this city.

The Jane, Captain Banks, is arrived in York river, in 8 weeks from Liverpool.

The Suſannah, Dobbie, from Virginia, is arrived at London.

To the COUNTRY MAN.

Magnis tamen excidit auſis. OVID.

SIR,

THE introduction of your letter is a ſymphony to the ſequel, and the ſame key-note prevails through the whole. A flippant impertinence diſtinguiſhes your manner, while ignorance and falſhood compoſe your materials. As a ſtream is impregnated by the minerals it flows through, ſo your ſentiments are tinged by the qualities of your heart. Your treatment of me hath been ſuch that the world might have concluded I had done you ſome ſervice. Thoſe only who had taken you into their boſoms, had reaſon to expect your moſt virulent invectives. That Mr. G—b—ne ſhould be ſtung was not ſurprizing, for he cheriſhed the viper when frozen: But I, Sir, have largely partaken of your favours, and that without the merit of having been your friend. Suffer my gratitude to make ſome acknowledgment.

Since you are ſo much *more man than wit*, in the field of reaſon, you muſt be an Achilles. But, though decked with *celeſtial panoply*, you may be ſtill vulnerable in the heel. To that part, therefore, ſhall I direct my weapon. That *I have leaped over from preſbyteriſm into the pale of the church for the loaves and the fiſhes* you confidently aſſert. Let me aſk, Sir, whether it be not from the information of a friend, that you bolt forth this aſſertion. Perhaps it was communicated under the influence of the *tweel*: If ſo, I compaſſionate [illegible], and, malignant as it is, forgive him the crime. But if it came from him in an interval of ſobriety, he hath no more regard for truth than yourſelf. Since you boaſt the power of *auguring* what *may* be, you may alſo poſſeſs the art of diſcovering what *hath* been. From hence perhaps you made the aſſertion. As I can defy the world to convict me of a crime or a vice, the review of my life will not be painful: That part of it at preſent in queſtion will, I flatter myſelf, abide the fiery ordeal. *I leaped into the church for the loaves and the fiſhes*, and doubtleſs expected a miracle would produce them. The miracle, however, hath not yet appeared, neither have the loaves and fiſhes been ſeen. Whatever was my motive it could not be gain. I relinquiſhed a certainty to enter the church, which the church, it is probable, will never compenſate. But, though I have had no *living, lecture-ſhip*, nor *cure*, yet I *leaped over the pale for the loaves and the fiſhes*. Was it to ingratiate myſelf with my friends that I took ſuch a bound? The truth is, it gave them diſpleaſure. I fear, Sir, you have made *your own* motives the ſtandard of *my* conduct. In theſe days of refinement, I know it is *waſtly* unfaſhionable to act upon principle. The approbation of conſcience is a *ſcurvy* conſideration. To value it at 300l. *per annum*, a man muſt be an ideot or mad! Account me either; *you* can pay no higher a compliment.

By the words *leaping over into the fold*, you would depict me as a *wolf*. I thought *bread* and the *loaves and fiſhes*, had been the proper object of prey. It is however a happy proof of your charity to circumſcribe the *fold of Chriſt* by the pale of the *Engliſh church*, and repreſent *all other chriſtians as wolves*. Your fold is paled around for fear they ſhould enter, and you would fix tenter hooks upon the fence to render it impoſſible. But ſurely, Sir, ſo gaunt a *wolf* as myſelf (ſince the *bread and fiſh* were out of my reach) muſt have picked the bones of many a *ſheep*. It will be kindneſs to the church that, *in theſe confines*, I ſhould be hunted down. *Cry*, havock, *and let ſlip the dogs of* grace.

You inſinuate that I have treated you as you have not deſerved, and that this will leſſen the reputation I have gained in the conteſt. If I have uſed too much lenity, forgive me this wrong. Can you, however, have the vanity to imagine that the moſt complete victory over yourſelf could bring *any* man *reputation*? Your abilities indeed might have deſerved ſome reſpect, were they not deſecrated to effect the moſt malignant deſigns. *How art thou fallen! how loſt!* In what manner have you anſwered the laſt of my letters? Why not convict me of the *plagiariſm* you lay to my charge? Twice have you aſſerted it, and as often been called upon, without bringing proof. I fear *Mayhew* and *Chauncey* will not thank you for the compliment. I might have made ſome

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WHEREAS the eſtate of *Benjamin Grymes* cannot be got in order for ſale by the 25th inſtant, there will, on that day, be ſold, at the place where the ſaid *Grymes* lives, for ready money, as many Negroes and horſes as will raiſe about 1500l. and the reſidue of his eſtate, conſiſting of about 120 Negroes, ſeveral horſes, oxen, waggons, carts, houſhold furniture, and books; alſo about 2000 acres of land, upon *Mattapony* river, in *Spotſylvania* county, which will be laid off in lots and put under incloſures, will be ſold on the firſt *Monday* in *February*, at the ſaid plantation where the ſaid *Grymes* now lives, which is about 6 miles from *Fredrickſburg*, on credit till the 25th day of *April*, 1773, the purchaſers giving bond and ſecurity to the truſtees, who will attend the ſale and make a good title. *Five per cent* diſcount will be allowed for ready money; and all bonds not diſcharged at the time they become due, to bear intereſt from their date.

The two veſſels before advertiſed, being a ſloop and a ſchooner, about 100 tons burthen each, will be ſold by the ſubſcriber, at any time between this and the day of ſale.

ANTHONY THORNTON, jun.
Agent to the truſtees.

N. B. There are among the Negroes ſome good colliers, carters, forgemen, watermen, and a very good furnace keeper. *November* 1, 1771.

ſtrictures on other parts of your letter, would it not have been inſulting the attention of the public, and, that you yourſelf are quitting the field. Like a *Parthian*, however, you can fight as you run.

S. HENLEY.

VIRGINIA, ſc.

By the Right Honourable JOHN *Earl of* DUNMORE, *his Majeſty's Lieutenant and Governor General of the ſaid Colony and Dominion, and Vice Admiral of the ſame,*

A PROCLAMATION

For proroguing the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

WHEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY is ſummoned to meet on *Thurſday* the 12th day of next month, and I find no urgent occaſion for the ſaid Aſſembly's meeting at that time; I have, therefore, thought fit, by and with the advice of his Majeſty's Council, by this proclamation, in his Majeſty's name, farther to prorogue the ſaid Aſſembly to the ſecond *Thurſday* in *January* next.

GIVEN under my hand, and the ſeal of the colony, at Williamſburg, *this* 20th *day of* November, 1771, *and in the twelfth year of his Majeſty's reign.*

DUNMORE.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 21, 1771.

THE truſtees not thinking it proper to proceed on the ſale of Col. *Philip Johnſon*'s land, near this city, on the 31ſt of *October* laſt, according to their former adverteſment, without an exact ſurvey of the valuable tract called *Tuttey's Neck*, and having the land contiguous to the town laid off in ſmall parcels, now give notice, that they intend to ſell thoſe lands on *Tueſday* the 10th day of *December* next, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, before Mr. *Southall*'s door, where the plan of the ſurvey and diviſion will be ſhown to any who are inclinable to buy. The purchaſers will be allowed two years credit; and it is expected they are to give bonds, with unexceptionable ſecurities, which are to carry intereſt from the time they bear date.

PEYTON RANDOLPH,
ROBERT C. NICHOLAS,
LEWIS BURWELL,
PHILIP W. CLAIBORNE, } truſtees.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

ALL perſons who are indebted to the eſtate of *John Blair*, Eſq; late of this city, deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy payment, and thereby enable us to ſatisfy the demands againſt the eſtate. We ſhall take it kind of all thoſe who have any claims, whether ariſing on contracts made by the teſtator on his own account, or as ſecurity for others, if they will make them immediately known to

JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES BLAIR, } executors.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

PURSUANT to the laſt will of our deceaſed father, we purpoſe, on the 13th day of next month, to ſell to the higheſt bidder, 4 tenements, near the church, in the ſaid city, and another adjoining the lot of the late Mrs. *Blaikley*, on the ſouth. There are tenants in all of them at preſent, but we will deliver them to the purchaſers at *Chriſtmas* next, except one of the ſaid 4, which Mr. *John Holt* is to poſſeſs till the 22d day of next *July*. Alſo, on the 5th day of the ſame month, we intend to ſell, at *Hanover* court, a tract of land in that county, containing 1750 acres, commonly called *Brewer's*, having been formerly occupied by a man of that name. The credit to be allowed the purchaſers, and other conditions, will be particularly mentioned at the ſales.

JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES BLAIR, } executors.

RUN away a likely Negro woman called *Sall Cooper*, belonging to the eſtate of *John Blair*, Eſq; deceaſed. She is between 20 and 30 years of age, and has loſt the firſt joint of the finger next the little finger of her left hand. As ſhe has been for ſome time paſt much in the company of a white man, who is lately gone to *Norfolk*, ſhe is probably lurking in that place. Whoever will deliver her to us in *Williamſburg*, ſhall receive FORTY SHILLINGS, beſides all reaſonable expences.

JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES BLAIR.

WILLIAM and MARY college, *Nov.* 20, 1771.

IT having been currently reported that the preſent miniſter of *Orange* was recommended by me to that pariſh, I have taken this opportunity to inform the public that the report is abſolutely falſe. S. HENLEY.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 18, 1771.

WHEREAS the ſhop lately kept by Mr. *Andrew Anderſon*, in this city, is become the ſole property of the ſubſcriber, as alſo the debts due to the ſaid ſhop: I do hereby give notice that all balances which remain unpaid by the laſt day of next *December*, ſuits will be commenced againſt them, without reſpect of perſons, or any further notice. I have added the above mentioned ſhop to my own, which is kept by Mr. *James Ruſſell*, the ſame perſon that kept the other, where all Gentlemen practitioners and others may be ſupplied, at the ſame low rates, for ready money only. JAMES CARTER.

To be SOLD *the* 9th *day of* January, *at* New-Kent *court-houſe,*

THE LAND, near the ſaid court-houſe, whereon *Richmond Terrell*, deceaſed, lately lived, containing about thirteen or fourteen hundred acres. The land will be laid off in lots, and credit given to ſuit the purchaſers, on their giving bond and ſecurity to

FREDERICK HARRIS,
ZACHARY LEWIS,
GARRET MINOR. } executors.

ALL perſons who have any demands againſt the eſtate of *John Turner*, late of *New-Kent* county, deceaſed, are deſired to make them known to the ſubſcriber, who, as ſheriff of the ſaid county, is directed by the ſaid county court to ſell and diſpoſe of the ſaid eſtate, and pay the ſame to the creditors, according to the dignity of their debts. Thoſe indebted to the ſaid eſtate are deſired to make immediate payment, as there cannot be any indulgence given. JOHN HOPKINS, Sheriff.

GLOUCESTER, *November* 18, 1771.

To be SOLD, *at the late dwelling houſe of* Joſeph Seawell, *deceaſed, on* Monday *the* 2d *of* December, *if fair, otherwiſe next fair day,*

ONE hundred and twenty head of CATTLE, among which are ninety fine ſteers, from 3 to 7 years old. There is a great variety of cattle ſuitable for draught oxen, remarkably large, alſo fine ſteers to ſtall for beef, and many now fit for ſlaughter. About 40 of the above quantity will be ſold for ready money, and credit given for the remainder till the 1ſt of *April* next, on giving bond, with approved ſecurity.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt bidder, at the ſubſcriber's plantation, on the* Dragon, *in* King and Queen *county, on* Wedneſday *the* 11th *day of* December *next,*

ABOUT 200 barrels of corn, a large quantity of fine fodder, wheat, rye, oats, peaſe, ſtocks of cattle, horſes, hogs, and ſheep, plantation utenſils, a neat ſingle chair and harneſs, with ſundry other articles too tedious to mention. Six months credit will be allowed the purchaſers for all ſums above twenty ſhillings, giving bond and ſecurity to WILLIAM TODD.

To be SOLD, *and delivered at* Dabney's *Ferry, in* King William *county,*

ABOUT 3500 feet of the beſt FLOORING PLANK, without heart, ſap, or knot. Apply to Mr. *George Dabney* at the ferry, or to the ſubſcriber.

JOHN HICKMAN.

JUST arrived from *London*, the ſhip *Alexandria*, Capt. *Haſtie*, with 45 convict SERVANTS, and a conſiderable number of indented ones for 4 years. All the convicts, as well as the indented ſervants, are from the country, and among them are many tradeſmen, *viz.* Weavers, an exceeding good ſhoemaker, a gardener, an extraordinary good blackſmith, a tanner, carpenters, joiners, and cabinetmakers, a bricklayer, a ſurgeon and apothecary, a currier, a jeweller, a butcher, a bookkeeper, ſchoolmaſters, many farmers, *&c.*

The ſale will commence at *Leeds* town, on *Wedneſday* the 27th of *November*, and continue till all are ſold. Six months credit will be allowed the purchaſers, on giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to

JAMES MILLS & company.

*** We think it neceſſary to aſſure the public, that all the above ſervants are remarkably healthy, as there is not a ſick perſon on board the ſhip.

ESSEX, *November* 12, 1771.

ALL perſons that have any claim againſt the eſtate of Mr. *William Thomas*, deceaſed, if by bond they are deſired to make them known, and if by open accounts prove and give them in, as ſoon as poſſible, as we may know what ſum of money to provide to diſcharge the demands againſt the ſaid eſtate. We do alſo deſire all perſons that are indebted to the eſtate of the ſaid *Thomas* to diſcharge their accounts immediately, for no indulgence can be given. WILLIAM THOMAS,
THOMAS FAVER, } executor.

NORFOLK, *November* 13, 1771.

A LAD of 15 or 16 years of age, of good character, who has had a proper education, is wanted as an apprentice in the buſineſs of SURGERY, PHARMACY, *&c.* An apprentice fee will be expected.

RAMSAY & TAYLOR.

WANTED a good HAIR-DRESSER. Such a one will meet with encouragement by applying to

GEORGE LAFONG.

STRAYED away ſome time in *October* two HORSES; the one a black, about 16 hands high, and has a roach mane; the other a ſorrel, about 14 hands high, has a roach mane, two ſlits in one of his ears, and a blaze face. Whoever conveys the ſaid horſes to me in *Williamſburg*, ſhall receive FORTY SHILLINGS reward, or TWENTY SHILLINGS each. WILLIAM DRAPER.

TAKEN up in *James City*, a ſmall ſorrel gelding, with a hanging mane and tail, about 4 feet 2 inches high, appears to be 5 years old next ſpring, and has no perceivable brand. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5l.

WILLIAM BARRETT.

TREASURY OFFICE, *November* 15, 1771.

BEING inform'd that ſome Doubts prevail amongſt the Inſpectors and other Collectors of the Duties and Taxes, I have to inform them that the Taxes on Writs, Ordinary Licences and Wheel Carriages are continued till the 25th of *October* 1775. For each Hogſhead of Crop Tobacco there is to be paid three Shillings, and for every Hogſhead of Tranſfer five Shillings and ſix Pence *under the Tobacco Law*. Beſides this there was an additional Duty of one Shilling and ſix Pence a Hogſhead continued to the 25th of *October* laſt, and from *that Day, when the one and ſix Pence Duty ceaſed*, the Inſpectors are to receive an additional Duty of three Shillings for each Hogſhead of Crop and Tranſfer till the 25th of *October* 1775; the Whole to be paid *before Delivery of the Tobacco*, and the Accounts to be ſettled on or before the 10th of *November* in each Year. It is hoped that this will be attended to without farther Notice, and that the utmoſt punctuality will be obſerved in theſe and all other Tranſactions with the Treaſury.

I SHOULD BE GLAD TO EXCHANGE GOLD AND SILVER FOR ANY OF THE OLD TREASURY NOTES, AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE TEN THOUSAND POUNDS EMISSION IN 1770, ESPECIALLY SUCH AS ARE TATTERED OR DEFACED.

RO. C. NICHOLAS, Treaſurer.

WHEREAS his Excellency the Earl of DUNMORE has been pleaſed to appoint me to act as Deputy Auditor, in the room of the Honourable JOHN BLAIR, Eſq; deceaſed; I have therefore taken this opportunity to requeſt the favour of the ſeveral ſheriffs concerned to be punctual in making their annual returns, and ſettling their accounts; and I beg leave to inform the ſaid ſheriffs that no partial ſettlements will be admitted, and hope that the ſeveral deputies, who collect in each county, will, for the future, attend together at the office (which, till further notice is given, will be held at the uſual place) that the ſettlement of the reſpective counties may be compleated at the ſame time. EDWARD FOY.

NOVEMBER 14, 1771.

THE LAND belonging to *James Burwell*, in the county of *Iſle of Wight*, not being ſold on the 11th inſtant, agreeable to a former advertiſement, this is to give notice that it will certainly be expoſed to ſale on the premiſes, on *Saturday* the 30th of this month, if fair, otherwiſe the next fair day, and may be entered on the 1ſt day of *January* next. Six months credit will be allowed the purchaſers from the day of entry, giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to

LEWIS BURWELL,
DUDLEY DIGGES,
THOMAS NELSON, jun.
NATHANIEL BURWELL, } TRUSTEES.

RUN away from *Richmond*, about the beginning of *September* laſt, a Mulatto wench named JEMIMA, about 16 years of age, remarkably well grown, has a large buſhy head, a flat noſe, a down look, and a ſcar upon one of her arms. As ſhe was brought up in *Williamſburg*, and has relations on *Queen's Creek*, it is probable ſhe may be harboured thereabouts. Whoever apprehends the ſaid wench, ſhall have TWO PISTOLES reward, and ſixpence a mile for conveying her to me at *Goochland* court-houſe, or to Mr. *Abraham Cowley* at *Richmond*.

DAVID ROSS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

JOURNEYMEN CABINET MAKERS,

WHO underſtand their buſineſs well, will meet with very good encouragement by applying to

EDMUND DICKINSON.

TO BE SOLD,

A VERY good tract of LAND on *Warriſquenk* bay, *James* river, in *Iſle of Wight* county, about 10 miles below *Hog Iſland*, containing above 3500 acres, whereon are three plantations cleared, and in good order for cropping, ſufficient to work 35 hands. On the manor plantation is a handſome brick houſe, 60 by 26, two ſtories high, well finiſhed and wainſcotted, with two brick outhouſes 40 feet by 20, barns, ſtables, and every other neceſſary houſe, a handſome garden, completely laid off, 105 yards by 75. On the three plantations there are at leaſt 1700 apple trees, and a great variety of other fruits. Near the ſaid land is a tract containing 85 acres, with a well accuſtomed mill thereon, and as fine a ſtream as any in the colony. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe the above tracts of land, or any part thereof, may know the terms by applying to the ſubſcriber, who lives on the ſpot. 2000 acres, or thereabouts, part of the 3500 acres, lying on the lower ſide of the tract, will be ſold on *Thurſday* the 19th of *December*, and may be entered on at *Chriſtmas*. Alſo to be ſold, on *Thurſday* the 5th of *December*, an exceeding rich tract of high land, containing near 1000 acres, lying on *Roanoke* river, between *Barnes*'s and *Edwards*'s ferries, about 15 miles below *Halifax* town, *North-Carolina*, well wooded and watered, is beautifully ſituated, and convenient to church and mill; a ſufficient quantity thereof is cleared to employ 15 hands, and is in good order for cropping. At the ſame time and place will be ſold, for ready money, 7 likely *Virginia* born Negroes, 200 barrels of corn, and 25 head of cattle. For terms apply to Mr. *Willie Jones*, *North Carolina*, or to the ſubſcribers, who will be on the plantation.

ROBERT BURWELL,
NATHANIEL BURWELL.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt bidder, on the laſt* Thurſday *in* November, *if fair, otherwiſe the next fair day,*

ALL that tract or parcel of LAND lying in *Petſworth* pariſh and *Glouceſter* county, known by the name of *Paradiſe*. The quantity for which quit rents have been paid is 1140 acres, but it will be aſcertained by ſurvey before the day of ſale; and it is expected it will meaſure about 1300 acres. It lies very convenient to *Portepotank* inſpection of tobacco, on a creek of *York* river, and within 13 miles of *Urbanna*. The ſoil is exceeding good for tobacco, corn, or wheat; and it is ſuppoſed that more than half is wood land, the greater part of which is exceedingly good, and well timbered. Mr. *William Pollard*, who lives near the land, will be kind enough to ſhew it to any perſon who may chuſe to look over it. The proprietors of this land live in the province of *Maryland*, who have authorized me to diſpoſe of it, and have poſſeſſed me with their title papers, for the inſpection of thoſe who chuſe to purchaſe. I will make a private bargain for the land between this and the day of ſale, but if I do not, the terms will be then made known by JOHN LEE.

VIRGINIA, ſc.

By his Excellency JOHN *Earl of* DUNMORE, *his Majeſty's Lieutenant and Governor General of the Colony and Dominion of* Virginia, *and Vice Admiral of the ſame,*

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS complaint has been made to me, upon oath, by *Benjamin Clark*, of the county of *Lunenburg*, that *Daniel Mackey*, of the ſaid county, did, ſome time in the year 1770, maliciouſly bite off one of the ears of the ſaid *Benjamin*, and otherwiſe barbarouſly maim him, for which offence he was examined before a Magiſtrate, and while a recognizance of bail was making out for his appearance at court, to undergo an examination for the ſaid offence, he found means to make his eſcape, appeared not at the court appointed for the purpoſe, nor has yet ſurrendered himſelf, but goes armed againſt all legal authority, and in defiance of an eſcape warrant, which has been granted for apprehending him: I have therefore thought fit, by and with the conſent and advice of his Majeſty's Council, to iſſue this proclamation, in his Majeſty's name, hereby offering a reward of TEN POUNDS to any perſon, who ſhall apprehend and bring to juſtice the ſaid *Daniel Mackey*. And I do alſo require all officers, both civil and military, and all other his Majeſty's ſubjects, within this dominion, to be aiding and aſſiſting herein, as they ſhall anſwer the contrary at their peril.

Given under my hand, at Williamſburg, *this* 6th *day of* November, 1771, *and in the twelfth year of his Majeſty's reign.* DUNMORE.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

On Monday *the* 2d *day of* December *next, at the court-houſe in* Dumfries, *will be ſold, to ſatisfy the creditors of* William Bennett, *deceaſed,*

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND, containing ſeven or eight hundred acres, well improved, and lying about 4 or 5 miles from ſaid town. Credit will be given two years for part of the purchaſe money.

WILLIAM CARR, Adminiſtrator.

To be SOLD, *to the higheſt bidder, at* Bedford *court-houſe, on* Tueſday *the* 26th *of* November *next, being court day,*

ABOUT thirty likely valuable SLAVES. The purchaſers will be allowed twelve months credit, giving bond with approved ſecurity, with intereſt from the date. Alſo the ſame day will be offered for ſale, all my lands and plantations on *Staunton* river, great part of which is fine low grounds. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may then know the terms, and the payments will be made as eaſy as poſſible. JOHN PAYNE.

To be SOLD, *at Mr.* Benjamin Johnſton's *ordinary, in* Fredericksburg, *to the higheſt bidder, on* Monday the 25th *day of* November, *if fair, if not the next fair day,*

TWENTY SLAVES, moſt of which are likely fellows. Credit will be allowed until the 1ſt day of *June* next, on giving bond and good ſecurity to the ſubſcriber, who is to conduct the ſale, and will allow five *per cent* diſcount for ready money. OLIVER TOWLES.

BEING very deſirous to ſettle all my affairs, and to releaſe the Gentlemen who at my requeſt became truſtees from their engagements for me, I propoſe to ſell, at *Rocky Ridge*, on *Monday* the 2d of *December* next, to the higheſt bidders, 2500 acres of exceeding rich and valuable LAND, lying juſt below the falls of *James* river, in the county of *Cheſterfield*, on which is an exceeding good dwelling houſe, and all conveniencies for cropping. There will be land enough ſown in wheat to produce 5000 buſhels. A ſtream of water runs through it ſufficient for a mill. Likewiſe intend to ſell the warehouſes and many lots in *Rocky Ridge*, the valuable ferries on each ſide the river, the fiſhery known by the name of *Sandy Bar*, with ſeveral hundred acre lots in *Henrico*, and many lots in *Shockoe*. At the ſame time will be ſold 200 Negroes, and ſtocks of all ſorts. The time of payment will be agreed on at the day of ſale. Thoſe who have an inclination to purchaſe may be ſhown the premiſes by applying to Mr. *David Patteſon*,

W. BYRD.

N. B. The land will be ſold altogether, or in parcels, as on the day of ſale ſhall appear moſt adviſeable.

To be SOLD *by the ſubſcriber, living in* Pittſylvania *county, on ſix months credit,*

ONE thouſand two hundred acres of LAND, lying in the ſaid county, on the branches of *Elkhorn* creek, about two miles from *Peytonſburg*, which ſaid tract of land I purchaſed from the executor of *Robert Wade*, jun. deceaſed. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe the ſame may know the terms by applying to JOHN COX.

STOLEN or ſtrayed, from Mr. *Timberlake*'s paſture in *Peterſburg*, ſome time in *June* laſt, a bay mare, got by *Janus*, about 14 hands high, and 8 or 9 years old, ſhe had a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, ſome white on one of her fore paſterns, and both hind ones white, a ſmall white ſpot on her withers, and a ſlight ſcar, occaſioned by a kick, on her far hind paſtern. She was known ſome time ago to many people as a quarter race mare, by the name of *Nettle*, and probably ſhe is with foal, as ſhe was covered this ſpring by Col. *Baylor*'s *Fearnought*. Whoever will bring the ſaid mare to Mr. *Timberlake* in *Peterſburg*, or to me in *Northampton* county, *North Carolina*, ſhall have TEN POUNDS, *Virginia* currency, if ſhe proves with foal, if not, FIVE POUNDS. WILLIE JONES.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, living in *Bedford* county, a Negro man named JACK, about 25 years old, well built, about 5 feet 8 inches high, ſpeaks plain, is fond of liquor, much pock marked about his noſe, and the joints of his great toes ſtick out in knots. The ſaid runaway was ſeen, between *Rocky Ridge* and *Warwick*, making down the river, with a view, it is thought, of getting on board ſome veſſel. I hereby inform all maſters of veſſels and others from employing or entertaining the ſaid Negro. I ſuſpect he will endeavour to paſs for a free man and get to *Norfolk*. Whoever apprehends the ſaid Negro, and brings him to *New-London* town, ſhall have FOUR POUNDS reward; and if ſecured in the gaol of the county where the takerup lives, TWENTY SHILLINGS, beſides what the law allows. The ſaid Negro is outlawed.

†4 WILLIAM TRIGG, junior.

SURRY county, *October* 18, 1771.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber's plantation, in *North-Carolina*, on *Tar* river, laſt *May*, a Negro man named EMANUEL, he is a ſpare made fellow, of a yelloviſh complexion, *Virginia* born, twenty odd years of age, and ſpeaks remarkably hoarſe. He formerly belonging to Mr. *Simon Holier* of *Elizabeth City*, I ſuſpect he is lurking about *Williamſburg*, as I heard of him there laſt *Auguſt*. Whoever apprehends the ſaid fellow and brings him to me, or ſecures him ſo that I get him again, ſhall have THIRTY SHILLINGS reward.

CHARLES REEKS.

GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God, of *Great-Britain*, *France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. To the ſheriff of *Fauquier* county, greeting: We command you that you ſummon *Henry Holtzclaw*, ſon of *John*, to appear before the Juſtices of our ſaid county court, in chancery, at the court-houſe, on the fourth *Monday* in this month, to anſwer a bill in chancery exhibited againſt him by *Martin Pickett* and company. And this he ſhall in no wiſe omit under the penalty of 100l. And have then there this writ. Witneſs *Humphrey Brooke*, clerk of our ſaid court, at the court-houſe, the 5th day of *January*, in the eleventh year of our reign, 1771. H. BROOKE. 4m

NORFOLK, *Sept.* 11, 1771.

I INTEND for *England* early in the ſpring, and requeſt all thoſe who have open accounts, on my books, to ſettle them. Bonds, or caſh, will be required from all indebted, and payments made to thoſe that have balances in their favour.

I expect all perſons concerned will pay due regard to this advertiſement, as all accounts unſettled after the firſt day of *January* next, will then be put in ſuit.

My buſineſs here, after that time, will be tranſacted by *William Marſh* and *Richard Marſhall*.

JOHN GREENWOOD.

CULPEPER, *Auguſt* 20, 1771.

TO BE SOLD,

TWO thouſand acres of LAND, known by the name of *Giant's Caſtle*, whereon are all conveniencies, and in good order for cropping, greateſt part very rich. Alſo 500 acres at the *Rigged Mountain*, very valuable, is alſo in fine order for cropping. Likewiſe about 400 acres, whereon Col. *Green* lately lived, a pleaſant, delightful ſituation, whereon is a large dwelling houſe, two ſtories high, all convenient out houſes, part low grounds, ſeveral orchards, and is within 3 miles of the lower church in *Culpeper*, 2 miles of a merchant mill, 10 miles of the court-houſe, and about 30 miles of *Fredericksburg*. Thoſe inclinable to purchaſe, may ſee the land, and know the terms, by applying to JOHN GREEN and others, executors.

For SALE, *or to be rented for a term of years, and entered on immediately,*

THE capital prize drawn in Col. *Byrd*'s lottery, conſiſting of a double forge, and valuable griſt mill, with two acres and a half of land adjoining. Alſo two thouſand acres of exceeding good land, the fartheſt part of which is not more than three miles from the works. The land will be ſold or rented with or without the forge and mill, and laid off in ſmall parcels ſuitable to the purchaſers. Long credit will be given, if required, for the greateſt part of the money, on giving bond, with approved ſecurity.

The ſubſcriber has no objection to diſpoſe of one moiety of the whole, or the ſtream without the land. It is capable of great improvement, as it is ſituated in the heart of a wheat country. The forge may be converted to a good merchant mill at a ſmall expence, and will manufacture one hundred thouſand buſhels of wheat in a ſeaſon, beſides the profits ariſing from the griſt mill, which is worth, at leaſt, two hundred pounds per annum. The terms will be made agreeable; and the land and works may be viewed at any time, by applying to Mr. *Richard Crump*, merchant at *Rocky Ridge*. HENRY MORSE.

N. B. The utenſils and old iron belonging to the forge will be ſold on reaſonable terms.

WANTED immediately, a young man qualified for an aſſiſtant in a ſtore, and underſtands book keeping. Such a one, well recommended, may have good encouragement by applying to the printer hereof.

General Poſt Office, New-York, Jan. 22, 1771.

HIS Majeſty's POST MASTER GENERAL having (for the better facilitating of Correſpondence between *Great-Britain* and *America*) been pleaſed to add a 5th PACKET-BOAT to the Station between *Falmouth* and *New-York*, Notice is hereby given, that the MAIL, for the future, will be cloſed at the Poſt Office in *New-York*, at 12 of the Clock at Night, on the 1ſt *Tueſday* in every Month, and diſpatched by a Packet the next Day for *Falmouth*.

By Command of the DEPUTY POST MASTER GENERAL,

ALEXANDER COLDEN, SECRETARY.

TAKEN up in *Prince George*, near *Warwick Swamp*, a dark bay horſe, near 4 feet and a half high, has a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, branded on the near buttock R, his near hind foot white, and has a ſaddle ſpot on each ſide of his back. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5l. 10s.

JOHN M'DUEL.

TAKEN up in *Pittſylvania*, on *Straitſtone Creek*, a bay mare, about 4 feet 5 inches high, branded on the near buttock E, has two white ſpots on her neck, and paces naturally. Poſted, and appraiſed to 8l.

JOHN VAUGHAN.

TAKEN up in *Lunenburg*, on the north fork of *Meherrin* river, near *Maury*'s mill, a ſmall black mare, about 4 feet 3 inches high, 6 years old, a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, ſome white on her hind feet, with a ſprig tail, her mane hangs on both ſides of her neck, two ſmall white ſpots on her off thigh, and two ſmall ſaddle ſpots, her natural gait is a trot, branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock with a ſtirrup iron. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5l.

BENJAMIN ESTES.

TAKEN up in *Buckingham* a bay mare, about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a ſtar in her forehead, neither docked nor branded, but ſhod before. Appraiſed to 8l.

JOHN SPEARS.

TAKEN up on *Blackwater*, in *Pittſylvania*, a black mare, 4 feet 6 inches high, about 12 years old, trots ſluggiſhly, branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock: but it cannot be made out, and on the off buttock B, has a ſmall white ſpot on the near ſide of her neck, and a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, had on a ſmall bell with a patch, put on with 4 rivets. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 10s.

JOHN NOWLIN.

TAKEN up in *Pittſylvania* a middle ſized black mare, not branded, has a ſtar in her forehead, a white ſpot on her near fore leg, and ſome white hairs all over her body, has a long ſprig tail and hanging mane, ſhod before, and trots and paces. Appraiſed to 7l.

JOHN ACCUFF.

TAKEN up in *Dinwiddie*, within 3 miles of the court-houſe, a ſorrel mare, 2 or 3 years old laſt ſpring, about 4 feet 2 or 3 inches high, a blaze in her face, one hind foot white, neither docked nor branded. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l. 10s. JAMES BUTLER.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, on *Hunting Creek*, a chefnut ſorrel horſe, about 9 or 10 years old, about 4 feet 3 inches and a half high, pretty much mixed with grey hairs, in particular about his rump, a ſtar and a ſmall ſnip in his forehead, one hind foot white, paces a travel, branded on the off buttock C, and has on a bell of about five ſhillings price, with a bearſkin collar.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS.

TAKEN up in *Cheſterfield* a red ſteer, about 3 years old laſt ſpring, marked with a crop and two ſlits in the right ear, and a ſlit in the left. Appraiſed to 1l. 15s.

GARDNER FOWLER.

TAKEN up on *Weſt* creek, in *Amelia* county, a ſmall bay horſe, about 4 feet 5 inches high, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l.

WILLIAM ROYALL.

TAKEN up on *Queen*'s creek, a bay horſe, about 13 hands 3 inches high, with a ſwitch tail, and his mane half cut off, he is ſhod all round. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l. JOHN SPRATT.

TAKEN up in *Lunenburg*, on *Little* creek, a black ſteer, about 3 years old, with a bell on, marked with a crop and overkeel in the right ear, and a ſwallow fork in the left. Appraiſed to 1l. 15s.

DANIEL MACKEE.

TAKEN up in *Spotſylvania*, near *Mattapony* church, a ſmall bay mare, about 4 feet 4 inches high, has ſome ſaddle ſpots, and a ſtar in her forehead, with a hanging mane and ſprig tail, branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock IB in a piece. Poſted, and appraiſed to 2l.

JOSEPH HEWELL.

TAKEN up in *Botetourt*, on *Catawba* creek, a ſmall black horſe, 5 years old, branded P K. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l 10s.

GEORGE M'AFEE.

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, on *Stovall*'s creek, a dark bay horſe, about 4 feet 6 inches high, branded on the near ſhoulder M, paces naturally; with a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, half his mane roached, his tail bobbed, and is about 6 years old. Poſted, and appraiſed to 8l. EDMUND HODGES.

TAKEN up in *Botetourt*, on the ſouth ſide of *James* river, a bay mare, branded on the near ſhoulder ſomething reſembling an H, and on the near buttock O, with a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, and a ſaddle ſpot on the near ſide of her back, trots naturally, about 12 and a half hands high, and about 9 years old. Poſted, and appraiſed to 1l. 17s. JOHN TAYLOR.

TAKEN up on *Buck Mountain* creek, in *Albemarle*, a dark bay mare and yearling colt, both near of a colour, the mare is about 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, and each of their hind feet white; the colt is branded T; the mare's brand is not perceivable.

THOMAS SNOW.

TAKEN up, a bay mare colt, ſuppoſed to be a year old early laſt ſpring, or 2 this fall, about 4 feet 4 inches high, has no white about her, is neither docked or branded. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l.

DAVID COSBY.

TAKEN up in *Buckingham*, near the head of *Appamattox*, a dark bay horſe, about 8 years old, about 4 feet 8 inches high, branded on the near ſhoulder N A, with a ſmall ſprig tail, one of his upper fore teeth out, and has but one eye. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l. 10s. THOMAS PATTESON.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, a dark bay horſe, about 5 or 6 years old, about 4 feet 4 or 5 inches high, branded on the near ſhoulder ſomething reſembling an R, and on the near buttock I M, a ſtar in his forehead, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, trots and paces ſlow, had on a large bell, with a ſmall piece broke out of the edge of it. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5l. 2s. 6d.

OBADIAH PATTESON.

TAKEN up at the neck of land in *Cheſterfield*, a ſmall black horſe, about 4 feet high, with a dull ſtar in his forehead, ſaddle ſpots on his back, his near hind foot white, and branded on the near buttock G, his tail appears to have been bobbed ſome time ago, and to be conſiderably grown out.

CHARLES WOODSON.

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, a black horſe colt, branded ⊢⊣. Appraiſed to 2l.

ROBERT SMITH.

TAKEN up in *Mecklenburg*, near Capt. *Cox*'s, a cheſnut ſorrel horſe, about 4 feet and a half high, 6 years old, paces naturally, with two white feet, a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, branded on the near buttock S, a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, and a ſaddle ſpot on his off ſhoulder Poſted, and appraiſed to 8l.

THOMAS NETHEREY.

TAKEN up in *Albemarle*, on the little fork of *James* river, a dark bay horſe, about 4 feet 7 inches high, has a mealy noſe, and ſome ſaddle ſpots, and branded on the off ſhoulder O, with a ſtroke through the middle. Appraiſed to 8l. WILLIAM DOLTON.

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, a red bull, about 4 or 5 years old, marked with a ſwallow fork in the right ear, and a ſmall ſlit in the under and upper ſide of the left. Appraiſed to 1l. 2s. 6d. PETER CARTER.

TAKEN up in the fork of *James* river, on a branch of *Buffalo* creek, in *Botetourt* county, a ſmall black mare, about 13 hands high, branded on the near buttock B. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 10s. MOSES COLYER.

TAKEN up in *Fauquier*, near *Brent* town, a bay horſe, near 14 hands high, branded on the left jaw F, on the left ſhoulder F, and on the left buttock IA in a piece. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5.

JOHN PETERS.

TAKEN up in *Lunenburg*, on *Crooked* creek, a ſmall dark bay horſe, 4 feet 4 inches high, branded on the near buttock C, and has been rubbed on the ſhoulder by work. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l.

WILLIAM RIDDINS.

TAKEN up in *Mecklenburg*, on *Allen*'s creek, a ſorrel mare, about 4 feet 5 inches high, paces very well, one half of her mane hanging, the other trimmed, a ſtar in her forehead, from which there is a little white down to the end of her noſe, about 5 years old, her left fore foot white up to the foot lock, branded on the off ſhoulder IT in a piece, and on the near ſhoulder ſomething reſembling an O. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l.

JOHN HUMPHRIES.

TAKEN up in *Mecklenburg*, near the court-houſe, a ſorrel mare, about 4 feet 7 or 8 inches high, with a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, both her hind feet white, no brand perceivable, has a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, trots and gallops well, and appears to be 8 or 9 years old. Poſted, and appraiſed to 14l.

BARTHOLOMEW STOVALL, jun.

TAKEN up in *Fauquier*, a black mare, 3 years old laſt ſpring, 13 hands high, unbroke, branded on the near buttock I. Y. Poſted, and apraiſed to 7l.

PHILIP HUFMAN.

TAKEN up by Mr. *Carter*'s overſeer, at *Corotoman*, *Lancaſter* county, a likely grey mare, with one eye, ſwitch tail and hanging mane, about 13 hands and a half high. Appraiſed to 12l. JOHN ROBERTS.

TAKEN up at the *Tinkling Spring*, in *Auguſta*, a bay mare, about 13 hands high, 6 years old, neither docked or branded. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l

ROBERT THOMPSON.

TAKEN up in *Caroline*, near *Cheſterfield*, a red heifer, about 2 years old, with a white ſtreak under her belly, marked with a crop in her right ear, and a crop and under keel in her left. Alſo a white ewe, marked with a crop, under keel, and hole in the right ear, and a crop, three ſlits, and underkeel in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed, the heifer to 35s. and the ewe to 6s.

WILLIAM TYLER.

TAKEN up in *Fauquier*, ſometime in *May* laſt, a black mare, about 4 feet 6 inches high, a ſmall blaze in her face, one white foot, branded on the near ſhoulder A, and has an underkeel in her right ear. When ſhe came ſhe was heavy with foal, and has ſince brought a colt. Poſted, and appraiſed to 12l. JAMES SCOTT, jun.

TAKEN up in *Fairfax*, a large red ſteer, about 7 years old, with a crop and two ſlits in the right ear, and a crop in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4.

JOHN HARTSHORN.

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